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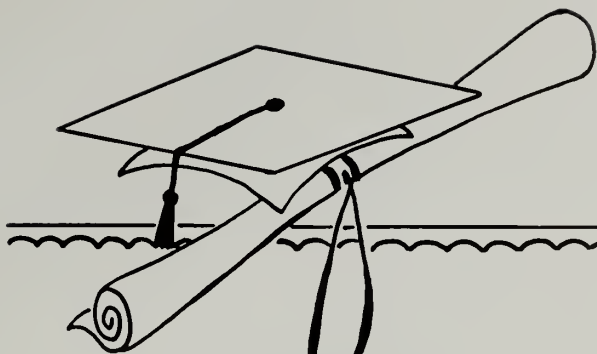


The Senior Class of "55" is proud and happy to dedicate this Yearbook to John C. Jakobek, who merits our respect as the principal and superintendent of schools. He has been a wise counselor for four years. Many of our troubling situations were controlled by his guidance.

He has made a definite and worthwhile contribution to the education system and community life in Hatfield. Both he and the class of "55" leave Smith Academy together. We are glad that he did not leave before the close of our course here. We congratulate him on his promotion, and we know his future will be one of continuing achievement.

And so it is with sincere gratitude that we dedicate this issue of THE ECHO to

JOHN C. JAKOBEK



FACULTY





JOHN C. JAKOBEK

Principal and Superintendent

Believes in strict discipline—Watch it, sonny!—That Blue Ford—Generous with his advice—Encourages students to continue their education—All in all, a good guy? ?



MISS MARY E. RYAN

English I, II, IIIA, IVA
English IIIB, IVB
School Paper Advisor
Prize Speaking Advisor
Dramatics
Junior Advisor
Graduation Speakers

Understanding—Good old Irish temper—Everyone's friend—Neat dresser Swell citizen—Smith Academy news reporter—A nice person to have around.



JOHN F. SYMANCYK

General Science
Problems of Democracy
General Math
U. S. History
Physical Education
Baseball Coach
Soccer Coach
Good Government Day Advisor

Back in the older days when—Loyal to Buicks—Willing to help—Knows his sports—Loves to talk—Good dancer—Everyone's pal.



MRS. FLORENCE E. MULLER

French I, II, III
Latin I
World History
Girls' Basketball Coach
Freshman Advisor

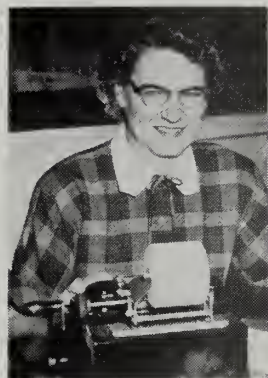
Short and sweet—Friendly smile—Knows her stuff—Successful basketball coach—Maintains quiet study halls—So nice!



GEORGE C. FEIKER

Agriculture I, II, III, IV
F. F. A. Advisor
Senior Class Advisor

Our friend—A grand Advisor—Always ready for a good time—Bow-ties—Story-teller—He and his jeep—That smile!



MRS. MARGARET E. PRUZYNSKI

Typing I, II
Shorthand I, II
Bookkeeping
Secretarial Practice
Business Training
School Paper Advisor
Faculty Treasurer
G. O. Fund

Well-informed on a variety of subjects—Sparkling smile and personality—Listens to everyone's troubles—Devotes her time to helping her students before doing her own work—A healthy, wealthy, and very wise person!



JOHN A. SKARZYNSKI

Solid and Trig
Algebra I, II
Chemistry
Plain Geometry
Basketball Coach

Great teaser—Brilliant fellow—He and his Mercury—Likes those Saturday night dates—Quite a linguist—Liked by everyone.



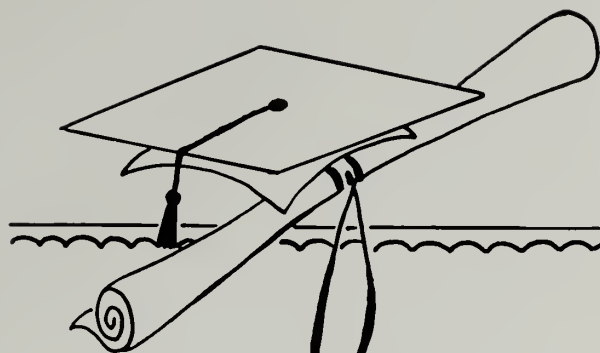
MRS. MARY A. SPAKOWSKI

Home Economics I, II, III, IV
Biology
Home and Family
Yearbook Advisor
Sophomore Advisor

Gives samples of her cooking sometimes—Glad to help—Ipana smile—Pretty blue eyes—Believes in following school rules—Endured our class for three years—Careful “woman” driver!

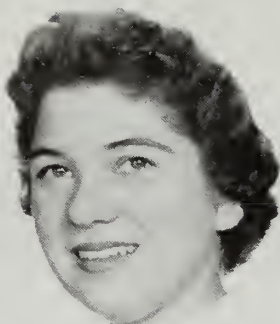
SENIORSCOPE

| NAME | NICKNAME | AMBITION | LIKES | DISLIKES | WEAKNESS | USUALLY FOUND |
|--------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|-------------------------|--|
| Phyllis Baceski | Phyl | Private Secretary | Sat. Nights Sports Girls | Typing Talkative girls | Billy Girls | Anywhere Hadley |
| Ronald Barrett | Heart-ticker | Own a business | Boating | Milk | Jane's wrist-watch | In Mr. Symancyk's hair |
| Gerald Barsh | Jerry | Brick-layer | Good times Skiing Amherst | Studying Cechvala & Barrett Pests | Mickey Short girls | Eating In Amherst |
| Leona Brown | Tworpy | Nurse | Having a good time | Shorthand | Temptation | Anywhere but home |
| Robert Byrne | Doc | Doctor | Dancing Cheering Clothes | Bookkeeping | Tommy | Writing notes |
| Richard Cechvala | Bull | U. of M. | Fur-lined pots Cars Females | Tacks None | Love A Girl | Laughing |
| Phyllis Cybulski | Tessie | Get married | Pals Food | Teasing Boys not paying dues School | Studying Freshman boys | Hatfield Barn Anywhere & |
| Ethel Duga | Dixie | To be a millionaire | Hot rods | Nothing in particular | Girls (a twin) Blood | Out with David |
| Wallace Gallant | Duffo | None ? ? ? ? ? | Clothes | Staying home Late hours | Convertible Cows | Cruising around At Leona's |
| David Havlin | Hazzy | Millionaire | Sports Basketball | Boys Secretarial & Bookkeeping Tests | Joking Spiders Teasing | Making pizzas Eating Jane's pizza |
| Jean Klocko | Yancha | Teacher | Spaghetti Skating | Wasting time Walking to school Farming School | Driving Books Joe Girls | Playing cards Making money Writing letters Adam's Greenhouse |
| Stephanie Majeski | Stef | An education | Sports | Designing clothes Two-tone Chevies Cars | | |
| Edward Merriam | Common Ed | Lieutenant in the Air Force | Secretary | Sports Announcer Secretary Get married Executive | | |
| Helen Pitchko | Hetcha | Secretary | Nurse Veterinarian | Restaurant Mmmm ? ? ? ? | | |
| Frances Porada | Parodi | Nurse | Restaurateur | | | |
| Michael Raffa | Mickey | Veterinarian | Mmmm ? ? ? ? | | | |
| Jane Romanowski | Twinny | Restaurant | | | | |
| Joan Romanowski | Joanie | Mmmm ? ? ? ? | | | | |
| Charles Sadoski | Chas | Sports Announcer | | | | |
| Lorraine Woloss | Squeaky | Secretary | | | | |
| Patricia Zagrodnik | Pat | Get married | | | | |
| Patrick Zgrodnik | Nush | Executive | | | | |



SENIORS



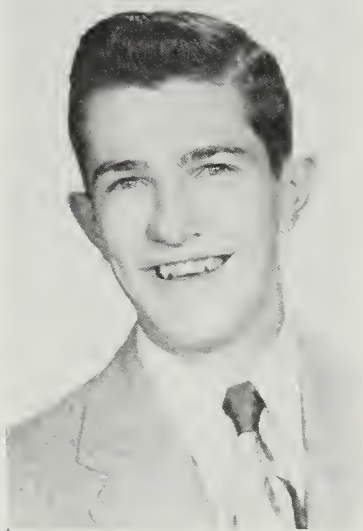


PHYLLIS BACESKI

"Phyl"

Hatfield, Commercial Course: Class President 4; Class Vice-President 1; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Senior Play 4; Thespians 3, 4; Yearbook 4; School Paper 4; Girls' Assistant Basketball Manager 3, 4; Pro Merito 1, 2, 3, 4; Washington Trip 4.

The class leader—Dependable pal—Sweet girl—"Shape"—Saturday morning shopping with Ethel—A certain Billy—Smart as a whip—"Oh those dopes"—Nothing like a Buick—Good things come in small packages.

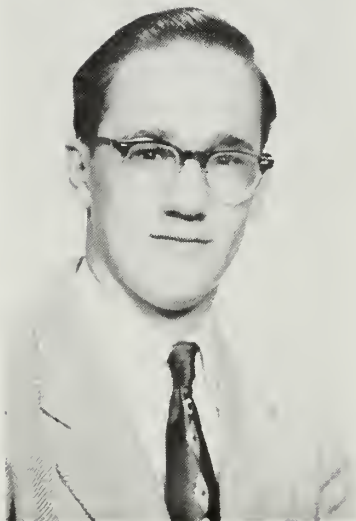


RONALD BARRETT

"Heart-ticker"

Northampton, Classical Course: Class Vice-President 3; Senior Play 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Soccer 1, 2, 3, 4; Thespians 3, 4; Prize Speaking 3; School paper 1, 2, 3, 4; Yearbook 3, 4; Washington Trip 4.

The class competitor—Girls in general—Hot rods—Full of heck—"Wanna bet"—Ardent movie fan—Neat dresser—"Fix me up"—Likes the girl who thinks of the pocket-book—Bay State—"Did you hear what they're saying about . . . ?"—Very frank—No trouble finding a girl.



GERALD BARSH

"Jerry"

Northampton, Vocational Course: F. F. A. President 3; Assistant Basketball Manager 2, 3; Soccer 2, 3, 4; Washington Trip 4.

The class delivery boy—"Get off my neck!"—Nush and Jerry—My bomb—Gossip carrier—"Tickle me and see what happens"—No enemies—Humors George and his Navy yarns—Girls, not for me (?)—Likes to ask the time.

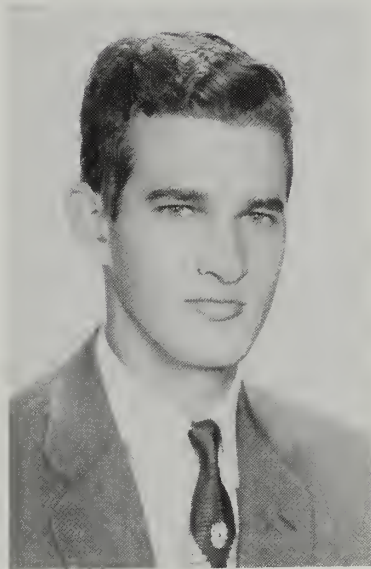


LEONA BROWN

"Twerpy"

Hanover, N. H., Classical Course: Basketball 2, 3, 4; School Paper 2, 3, 4; Yearbook 3, 4; Cheerleader 3, 4; Class Vice-President 4; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Thespians 4.

The class cutie—Few like her ? ? ?—No one like her Mike—Peppy cheerleader—"Sometimes I could . . ."—Natural curly hair with a red tint—Peroxide—Hates arguments—Private talks with Patsy—Roller skating—Always hungry but doesn't like to eat (?).

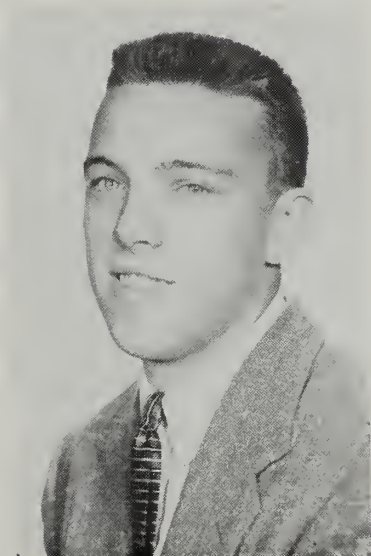


ROBERT BYRNE

"Doc"

Northampton, Classical Course: Class Secretary 2; Soccer 1, 2; Yearbook 4; Prize Speaking 3; Baseball Manager 1; Washington Trip 4.

The class doctor—Amherst girl—College bound—Bicycle rider—"I'm just in one of those moods"—One that never seems to be in the right seat in Problems—"Byrnsey did it"—Afraid of girls (all except one)—Independent party all the way—Quite a few inches above us.



RICHARD CECHVALA

"Bull"

Hatfield, Classical Course: Student Council Representative 3; Soccer 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3; Basketball Manager 2, 3, 4; Yearbook 4; Washington Trip 4.

The class pinball champ—Movie fan—Sports lover—Good natured—One of the bunch—No trouble finding something to do—Quiet but mischievous—Honest time-keeper—Never bored (?)—Reads the paper thoroughly—*Loves* chemistry.



PHYLLIS CYBULSKI

"Tessie"

Akron, Ohio, Commercial Course: Class Secretary 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; School Paper 1, 2, 3, 4; Yearbook 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3; Cheerleader 4; Thespians 3, 4; Hatfield Book Club H. A. Award 2.

The class giggler—Good times—Polish dances—Blue Ford—"Nobody steps on me"—Friends in general—A bug in Lefty's hair—Always ready for a good laugh—Likes to give advice—Marriage—Oh, those jokes!—Notes—Facetious? ?—Long telephone calls.

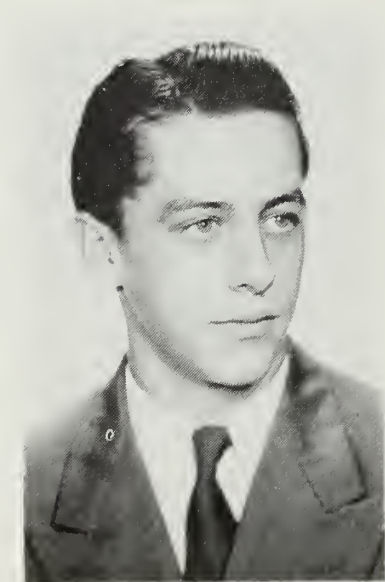


ETHEL DUGA

"Dixie"

Hatfield, Commercial Course: Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; School paper 1, 2, 3, 4; Thespians 3, 4; Yearbook 4; Senior Play 4.

The class clothes fiend—Silly as they come—"Can't stand it"—Girls' athlete at gym—Jimmy—New cars—"Don't touch my hair!"—Marriage—Natural-born wit—Lovable as heck—"I have nothing to wear!"

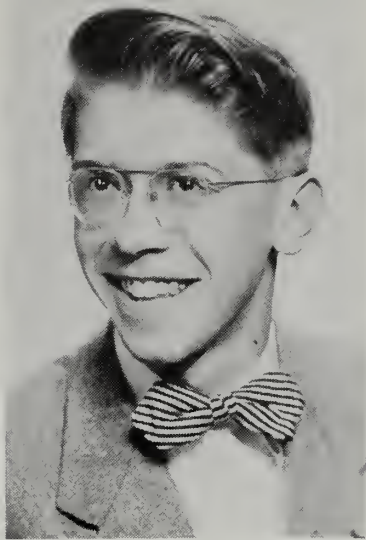


WALLACE GALLANT

"Duffo"

Hatfield, Vocational Course: Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. Secretary 4.

The class chief cook and bottle-washer—1:45 boy—Marriage out of the question until she proposes—Flashy vests—Loyal S. A. fan—"I do so much homework!"—Thinks the age for getting a license should be 18—"Everyone's always picking on me"—Likes attention—License is still at the Registry—Can't get up in the morning.



DAVID HAVLIR

"Hazy"

Northampton, Commercial Course: Basketball 1, 2; Prize Speaking 3; Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Thespians 4.

The class lover—King Street—"Let's go!"—Freshman dish—Gets around in this world—"Pat's better than that"—Ed, Hazy, and cars—Faithful gum distributor—Knows all about cars (?)—Likes to poke his nose in others' business.

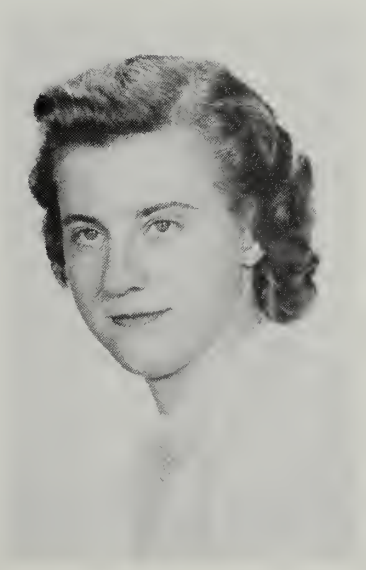


JEAN KLOCKO

"Yancha"

Northampton, Classical Course: Secretary of class 1; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; School paper 1, 3, 4; Yearbook 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Thespian 3, 4; Senior Play 3, 4; Prize Speaking 3; Pro Merito 1, 2, 3, 4; Washington Trip 4; Girls' State Representative 3; Good Government Representative 4; A. A. A. Award 3; Cheerleading 3, 4; Elks' Contest Winner 3, 4.

The class Frenchman—Loves to diddle around in chemistry—A certain grey Chevvy in her yard—Always singing—Nothing like a good laugh—She and Stef—"Just give me one more day"—Looking for someone tall, dark, and handsome—Of course I'm not going steady."

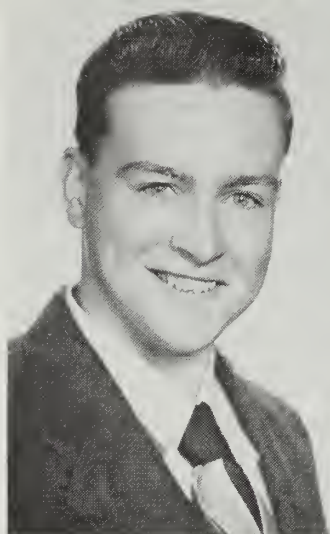


STEPHANIE MAJESKI

"Stef"

Northampton, Classical Course: Class Treasurer 1, 2, 3, 4; D.A.R. Award 4; Prize Speaking 3; Yearbook 3, 4; School Paper 4; Thespian 1, 2, 3, 4; Senior Play 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Washington Trip 4.

The class mathematician—That 6th study hall—Thrifty—She and her treasury books—Very studious—Crafty basketball player—"What good are you?"—How about those cute Drum Corp pupils?—Ambition—Figure skater.

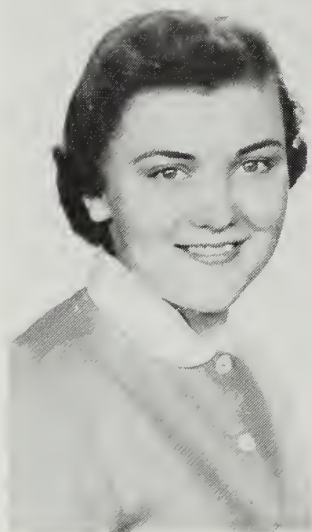


EDWARD MERRIAM

"Ed"

Norwalk, Conn., Commercial Course: Student Council 4; School Paper 2; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4.

The class quiet boy—Loves to fish—Blushes easily—Gee, what a nice belt buckle!—Seen but never heard—"Thumbs down!"—All prepared for army life?—Easy to get along with—Not a worry in the world.

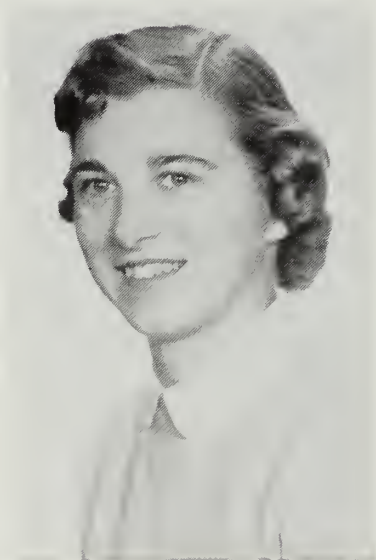


HELEN PITCHKO

"Hetcha"

Hatfield, Commercial Course: Pro Merito 1, 2; Prize Speaking 3; Thespian 3, 4; School Paper 4; Yearbook 4; Basketball 1, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Washington 4.

The class lady—Rosy-cheeked—Always in the gay mood—Great pals with the Twins—Neat dresser—Mr. Tuthill's fan—Quiet as a mouse in class—A sincere friend—"Ha, ha, what a laugh!"—How pretty when she blushes!

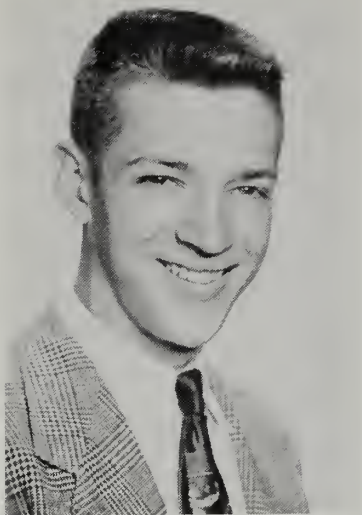


FRANCES PORADA

"Porodi"

Northampton, Commercial Course: School Paper 4; Yearbook 4; Thespian 3, 4; Senior Play 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Washington Trip 4.

The class helping hand—Grand sense of humor—Everyone's pal—Striking yellow convertibles are pretty, aren't they?—A lover of the wheel—Couldn't get along without a telephone—"You think you're funny, don't you?"—A cute tall blonde.



MICHAEL RAFFA

"Mike"

Hatfield, Classical Course: Pro Merito 1, 2, 3, 4; Class President 1, 2; Student Council Representative 3, 4; Prize Speaking 3; Yearbook 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3.

The class athlete—Versatile—Teasing girls his favorite hobby—Besides L. B.—What a physique!—"Brown-nose"—Fidgety fingers—"I wonder who took the beakers"—Those French translations—A profitable businessman.



JANE ROMANOWSKI

"Janey"

Northampton, Classical Course: Pro Merito 1, 2, 3, 4; Prize Speaking (1st) 3; Yearbook 4; School Paper 4; Thespian 3, 4; Senior Play 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3; Cheerleader 1, 2.

The class boy-hater—Studious—Quite an imitator is she—Always willing to be helpful—One of the only pair of twins in school—Frequent at Cooper's—That jolly giggle—"Cut it out, Joannie"—Naturally witty.

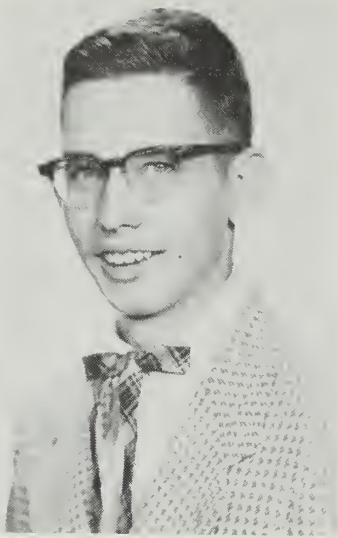


JOAN ROMANOWSKI

"Twinny"

Northampton, Commercial Course: Pro Merito 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Vice-President 2; Yearbook 4; School Paper 4; Thespian 3, 4; Senior Play 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Cheerleading 1, 2; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4.

The class lady athlete—Cheerful—Neat dresser—Sharp-shooter—Not too many pizzas!—"Cut the comedy"—Loves to drive (?)—Always carefree—Arden correspondent with Pat—Correcting jobs are fun ? ?



CHARLES SADOSKI

"Chaz"

Hatfield, Commercial Course: Pro Merito 1, 2, 3, 4; Class President 3; Student Council 1, 2, 4; Prize Speaking (1st) 3; Bonneville Award 3; Boy's State Representative 3; Thespian 4; Senior Play 4; Yearbook 3, 4; School Paper 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1; Washington Trip 4.

The class orator—Boy with great abilities—Snappy dresser—"Boss" of the yearbook—Zoom—There goes the blue Ford—"Beat the light! !"—Hard working—Dainty writer? ?—Hurrah for those 45-minute orals.

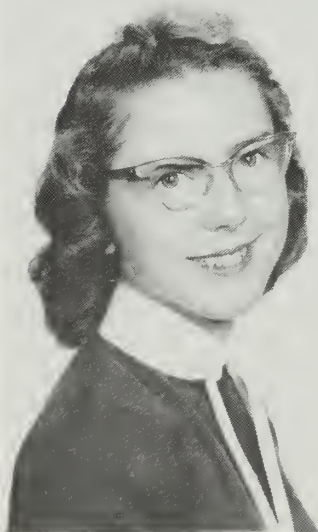


LORRAINE WOLOSS

"Squeaky"

Northampton, Commercial Course: Pro Merito 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Secretary 3; Hatfield Book Award 3; Yearbook 3, 4; School Paper 4; Thespian 3, 4; Senior Play 4; Basketball Manager 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Washington Trip 4.

The class model secretary—The baby of the class—Will make a good wife for someone—Tiny and cute—Very efficient—Good natured—Always busy as a bee—Homework's always done!—Easygoing, never in a hurry.

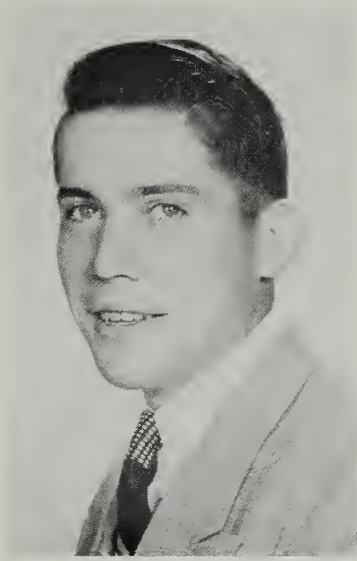


PATRICIA ZAGRODNIK

"Patsy"

Northampton, Commercial Course: Student Council 3; School Paper 2, 3, 4; Yearbook 3, 4; Thespian 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4.

The class midget (5 ft.)—Sharp witted—Always alert—Heart goes pitter-PAT about a certain Joe—Nimble basketball player—"Eager beaver"—Chevies and school do mix—Always "mothering" her sisters—Very experienced in child care.



PATRICK ZGRODNIK

"Nush"

Northampton, Vocational Course: F. F. A. Treasurer 3; F. F. A. Vice-President 4; Prize Speaking 3; Yearbook 4; Soccer 1, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 3, 4; Washington Trip 4.

The class joker—Active participator at class meetings—Gets under Lefty's skin—The boy with the hearty laugh—Very blunt—Friendly disposition—Stockbridge bound—Gee, can that Chevie go!—Destined to be a successful provider.

They'll Never Forget

PHYLLIS BACESKI "I'm hungry, I'm hungry, Let's eat!"
RONALD BARRETT Getting stuck in Hadley with his Plymouth
GERALD BARSH Sleeping on the front lawn
LEONA BROWN Being late and leaving things behind
ROBERT BYRNE Breaking Miss Ryan's favorite chair
RICHARD CECHVALA Sweating out College Board Exams
PHYLLIS CYBULSKI The class picnic
ETHEL DUGA The "cars" from every town
WALLY GALLANT "Texas Dry Humor"
DAVID HAVLIR Being a CAREER man
JEAN KLOCKO Holding the door on Mr. Jakobek
STEPHANIE MAJESKI Being chosen D.A.R. girl
ED MERRIAM His nickname "Common Ed"
HELEN PITCHKO The Prom (1954)
FRANCES PORADA Cheering for the Legionnaires
MIKE RAFFA Going on dates with the big red truck
JANE & JOAN ROMANOWSKI Playing the same role in the Senior play
CHARLES SADOSKI Those "orange" pants
LORRAINE WOLOSS That "Strawberry Sundae"
PATSY ZAGRODNIK Driving her boy-friend's Chevvy
PAT ZGRODNIK Getting on Lefty's nerves

Baby Days



PHYLLIS BACESKI



GERALD BARSH



LEONA BROWN



ROBERT BYRNE



RICHARD CECIVALA



PHYLLIS CYBULSKI



ETHEL DUGA



DAVID HAVLIR



JEAN KLOCKO



STEPHANIE MAJESKI



EDWARD MERRIAM



HELEN PITCHKO



FRANCES PORADA



JOAN and JANE
ROMANOWSKI



CHARLES SADOSKI



LORRAINE WOLOSS



PATRICIA ZAGRODNIK



PATRICK ZGRODNIK

Class History

On June 17, 1955, twenty-two students in dark blue caps and gowns will be gathered in the Hatfield Memorial Town Hall for the final event of their high school career—that of receiving their diplomas. The cap and diploma, which the graduates merited as a reward for their hard work and avid participation in both learning and school activities, had also served as guideposts from our Freshman to our Senior year in that they stimulated our anticipation, eagerness, ambition, and most of all, pride, in what was available to us and all that we could accomplish to attain our goals.

When we twenty-five uncertain students, seen but not heard, timidly entered Smith Academy in September, 1951, the cap and diploma were only visions in our minds—visions which were four long years of toil and excitement ahead of us. How were we to know that four years would flee rapidly and it would be time to leave—each one in his own direction? Nothing can be as memorable as, perhaps, that first trying day in the strange building, when one of us green-looking students was a lone newcomer, broken away from his group by the healthy upperclassmen and left standing helplessly in the empty corridors. Many of us will tell how often we met the “veterans” gazing on us as we chose a seat in the far-away corner of the study hall, or how often we had to be reminded of the dozen or so rules and regulations broken within a few minutes. The end of the first week found us not only well acquainted with the building and teachers, but also with the Juniors, who were preparing to formally accept us into Smith Academy on Initiation Night. All of us passed our gruesome test and were at once tabbed as “The Freshmen of S. A.” This was the “go-ahead” signal to begin our activities as the Class of ’55. Chosen to lead the class as a result of our first class meeting were: president, Michael Raffa; vice-president, Phyllis Baceski; secretary, Jean Klocko; treasurer, Stephanie Majeski; Student Council representative, Charles Sadoski; and class advisor, the ever ready, always willing George C. Feiker.

Under this group, we freshmen conducted a very successful post-Lenten Spring Dance. What a gala evening of dancing under the numerous pastel streamers radiating from the flower-entwined May Pole; what a heart-warming feeling to see the name “Freshmen” written in paper carnations. The music for dancing was by the Melody Aces. Before we realized, June rolled around and we had to bid farewell to a fine group of seniors. We left the Freshman Year with one lesson in mind: “Cooperation is an invaluable help in success.”

September, 1952, found twenty-five confident sophomores return to Smith Academy. The cap and diploma still remained a challenge to us, who were finding ourselves a little more bold than the previous year, and a bit more experienced in the complicated and hurried procedures of high school. To lead our class in activities the following officers were chosen: president, Michael Raffa; vice-president, Joan Romanowski; secretary, Robert Byrne; treasurer, Stephanie Majeski; Student Council representative, Charles Sadoski. Before very long, we found ourselves making plans for our second activity, the “Sophomore Hobo Dance.” Filled with the usual autumn scenery of bright orange pumpkins, dried cornstalks, and colored leaves, the dance hall was offset by a ludicrously dressed hobo in the center of the floor. The affair was completed by the Melody Aces, and refreshments which included cider and donuts. This year, more than the previous year, our eager, ambitious class found ourselves as a small “cog” in the wheel of activities, including all sports, the glee club, and school publications. Because one of our favorite mottoes was “Washington or Bust,” we sponsored another school dance in May of ’53; the theme “Big Top” was carried out in colorful streamers depicting a circus tent; the music was again furnished by the Melody Aces. When June came again, and it was thus time to say farewell to our sister class which had advised us in our troublesome exploits, we all felt that we had learned one of the most important lessons in our high school career: “Eager participation in class and school activities lead to a more enjoyable year.”

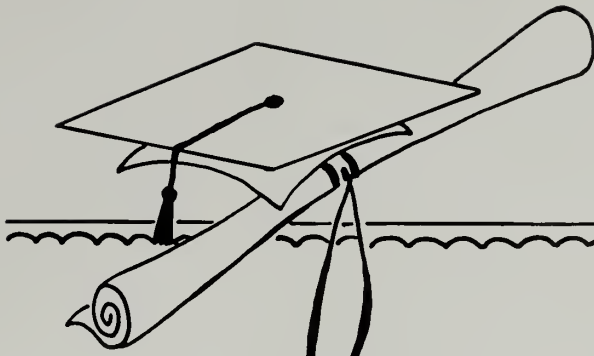
Returning in September, 1953, as juniors, twenty-six of us re-entered the halls of Smith Academy, but this time distinguished as “upperclassmen.” What had passed in our first two years seemed to us, at that time, very exciting and adventuresome, but how were we to guess that our last two years would be twice as hurried, business-like, and enjoyable? The cap and diploma were now plainly visible at a distance of two years away. Two years had brought them much closer to reality. This year found the following officers installed: president, Charles Sadoski; vice-president, Ronald Barrett; secretary, Lorraine Woloss; treasurer, Stephanie Majeski; Student Council representatives, Patricia Zagrodnik and Richard Cechvala. Much to our excitement, we



were the class to welcome the freshmen. Not so long ago we had been the victims of our initiators. Initiation Night had not only given the freshmen a hearty welcome to Smith Academy, but resulted in the biggest profit that our class had ever earned. The Senior Play, this year, was produced very successfully with the aid of some members of the junior class who, for the first time in their high school career, had shown their acting abilities. Springtime found the juniors busy. It was not spring fever, but a part of the English course that found us unfortunate juniors appearing before the assembly to give our declamations. As a result, five boys and five girls in formal attire spoke before the public in order to compete for cash prizes. Charles Sadoski and Jane Romanowski received well-earned first prizes. The next activity, the "Junior Prom," shall never be forgotten. "Wonderland," our theme, consisted of a center floor attraction—a Fairy Princess, dressed in a filmy gown and holding a magic wand. Under the balcony were scenes from the land of make-believe. To complete the evening of enjoyment, music was played by Ray Black and his orchestra. Then, with the closing of our Junior year at hand, we sent Charles Sadoski to boys' state and Jean Klocko to girls' state. Again, it was time to bid goodbye to another senior class, one with whom we had shared experiences for three years. We left again with a lesson in mind: "Diligence and determination lead to success."

It seems only yesterday that twenty-three proud seniors returned to S. A. in September of 1954. Now the cap and gown lay within an arm's length, ready for each of us to grasp at our own will. A few months of work and play to make these two articles ours forever. Our Senior year was, perhaps, the busiest year. We were led very successfully by Phyllis Baceski, president; Leona Brown, vice-president; Phyllis Cybulski, secretary; Stephanie Majeski, treasurer; Michael Ruffa, Charles Sadoski, and Edward Merriam, Student Council representatives. This year found us presenting the successful play, "Seventeen Is Terrific," which was acted out almost entirely by Senior class members. Among the profitable activities held during the year were a food sale, concessions at Corky Calkins' square dances, and concessions at basketball games. Much toil was spent on the Good Government Day assembly, which was sponsored by our class, who nominated three members, one of whom, Jean Klocko, was sent to Boston to represent the school. Amid the ordering of invitations and name cards, fitting of caps and gowns, preparing for and experiencing the Washington Trip—(water pistols), the Class of '55 is proud to present the PURPLE AND WHITE ECHO, which we hope is meeting your approval. It is the end of our Senior year and we must all admit that it was "one of the best years of our lives."

On our day of Commencement the cap will be worn proudly and the diploma will be carried delicately. As each of us passes out of the auditorium, we shall have in our hearts the fond memories of both hard work and good times, and the hope that all underclassmen will share the same joyful memories.



CLASSES



Junior News

On September 8, 1954, fifteen juniors entered the halls of Smith Academy to begin their first year as upperclassmen.

The first class meeting resulted in the election of the following officers:

President—Larry Goller
Vice-President—Robert Betsold
Secretary—Mary Ziezulewicz
Treasurer—Glenn Mathieu
Student Council Representative—Betty Kubosiak

Their first activity of the year and also the school's first activity was the Freshman Reception, held in October. The shy and frightened freshmen were presented with an enjoyable and unforgettable night.

Four junior girls out of seven were elected as cheerleaders this year. They are: Betty Kubosiak, Carol Ziezulewicz, Mary Ziezulewicz, as Varsity, and Dorothy Cechvala as jayvee.

Junior boys were very active in sports this year. Those participating were: Larry Goller, a regular Varsity player; Bobby Betsold, Francis Widelo, and Walter Thayer, who are in the J.V. team. Another boy who added a great deal to this year's team was Manager Edward Pelis.

Although the boys were well represented in sports, Carol Fill was the only one to represent the junior girls in girls' basketball.

The Junior class held its annual prize-speaking contest March 23 and 25. The first date was for the girls and the latter for the boys. Those chosen to present their selections to the public on April fifteenth were: JoAnne Sikorski, Carol Ziezulewicz, Carol Fill, Dorothy Cechvala, Betty Kubosiak, John Stenglein, Edward Pelis, Francis Widelo, Robert Betsold, and Laurence Goller.

The Junior Thespians this year are: Carol Ziezulewicz, JoAnne Sikorski, Mary Ziezulewicz, Carol Fill, Dorothy Cechvala, and Betty Kubosiak.

Our Junior year proved to be exciting and interesting.



Sophomore News

On September 8, 1954, twenty sophomores entered the halls of Smith Academy, ready to start a new school year. There were nine girls and eleven boys, counting our new classmate, Ronald Keith. In January, of the following year, 1955, our class numbered twenty-one, for Eugene Dugal entered our class. Officers were:

President—Joseph Cybulski
Vice-President—William Backiel
Secretary—Gail Goller
Treasurer—Donald Moskowicz
Student Council Representative—Vivian Bucala

At the end of November, the class ordered their class rings, which were received March 8.

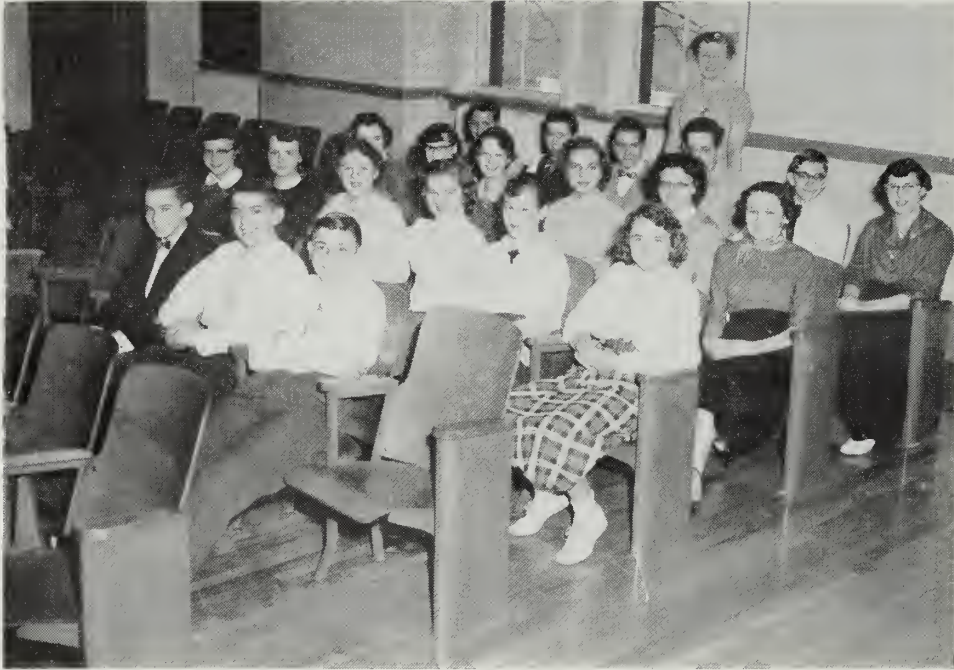
In October, two of our classmates, Vivian Bucala and Humilia Stefancik, were named as Jayvee cheerleaders.

Both sophomore girls and boys participated in sports this year. Jean Connor, Brenda Zgrodnik, and Frances Kostek were on the girls' basketball team. Robert Siemionko and Ronnie Keith were on the Varsity team. Joseph Baceski, Robert Barrett, Stanley Slys, and Donald Moskowicz were on the Jayvee team. Donald Moskowicz was also a Varsity substitute.

Among those reporting for soccer were Joseph Baceski, Ronald Piekunka, Robert Siemionko, Stanley Slys, and Robert Barrett. Donald Moskowicz was manager.

The two boys who took part in the Senior play, which was a success, were William Backiel and Joseph Baceski.

Vivian Bucala, Gail Goller, and William Backiel were on the yearbook staff. Marilyn Wilkes, Frances Kostek and William Backiel were on the school paper committee.



Freshmen News

In the Freshman class this year there were twenty members. At the beginning of school we were fortunate to receive two new pupils, Richard Capen from Vermont and Dianne Burke, a transfer from St. Michael's.

Freshman class officers were:

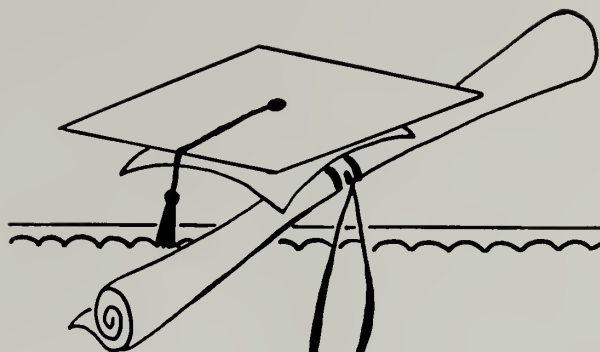
President—Richard Byrne
Vice-President—Ronald Punska
Secretary—Patricia Harubin
Treasurer—Joseph Bye
Student Council Representative—Cynthia Omasta

Mrs. Muller was class advisor.

The Freshman class was well represented in soccer. Almost half of the boys in the class participated. At the end of the season each boy received a letter for his playing.

There were also many Freshmen who participated in basketball; both boys and girls. These Freshmen all played very good basketball.

The annual Freshman dance was held on April 29. With all Freshmen doing their best, the dance was a great success.



ACTIVITIES



Student Council

The Student Council met early this year and elected the following officers: Charles Sadoski, president; Michael Raffa, vice-president; and Betty Kubosiak, secretary-treasurer. The other members who made up the Council were Edward Merriam, Lawrence Pickett, Vivian Bucala, and Cynthia Omasta.

One of our first projects was to authorize a gym period for the boys and girls. The students were assigned different days for their gym classes.

The program has worked out very well, and the Student Council hopes they can continue helping the school in any way possible.



Pro Merito

The Smith Academy Chapter of the Pro Merito Society has three groups eligible for Pro Merito rating, seniors, juniors, and sophomores.

The senior group consists of Phyllis Baceski, Jean Klocko, Stephanie Majeski, Joan Romanowski, Jane Romanowski, Lorraine Woloss, Charles Sadoski, and Michael Raffa.

The junior group includes Robert Betsold, Lawrence Goller, and Carol Ziezulewicz.

All students are required to have an over-all average of eighty-five or better to be eligible for membership.

The Smith Academy Chapter is a member of the Massachusetts Pro Merito Society.



Yearbook Staff

Smith Academy yearbook was organized with Charles Sadoski as editor-in-chief. Assistant editor-in-chief was Ronnie Barrett.

Mrs. Mary A. Spakowski was chosen as faculty advisor.

Mike Raffa was the business manager of this year's yearbook. The sports department was headed by Richard Cechvala, with Patsy Zagrodnik and Robert Byrne doing the assisting. This year's Seniorscope was written by Ethel Duga, Phyllis Baceski and Lorraine Woloss. Photography was taken care of by Jean Klocko and Phyllis Cybulski. Class trip was written by Stephanie Majeski and Frances Porada. This year's committee for ads consisted of Helen Pitchko, Joan Romanowski, Jane Romanowski, Frances Porada, Phyllis Cybulski, Ronnie Barrett, Charles Sadoski, Michael Raffa, Gerald Barsh, Pat Zagrodnik, Phyllis Baceski, Richard Cechvala, and Jean Klocko. Senior write-ups were done by Jean Klocko and Patsy Zagrodnik.

Cheerleaders' report was written by Betty Kubosiak and Mary Ziezulewicz. Lorraine Woloss took care of the Pro Merito report. The yearbook report was written by Dorothy Cechvala. Senior class history was well done by Jean Klocko and Stephanie Majeski. Robert Byrne wrote the prize-speaking report. School paper report was written by Phyllis Cybulski and Phyllis Baceski. Carol Fill wrote up the Glee Club report. Thespian report was done by Frances Porada. Betty Kubosiak wrote the Student Council report. Dedication was written by Ethel Duga. The art editor for this year's book was Leona Brown.

Class reports were written by Carol Ziezulewicz, Vivian Bucala, Gail Goller, Patty Harubin and Cynthia Omasta.



School Paper

On October 15, the first school paper meeting was held. A good majority of students turned out to take part in this activity. The following students were elected to their respective offices: Editor-in-chief, Stephanie Majeski; associate editors, Lorraine Woloss and Phyllis Cybulski; literary editors, Jean Klocko and Dorothy Cechvala; art editors, Leona Brown, William Backiel, and Carol Fill. These talented artists did a praiseworthy job in providing the school paper with many illustrations. The business manager was Patricia Zagrodnik; assistant business manager, Helen Pitchko; sports reporters, Charles Sadoski, Ronald Barrett, and Frances Porada; freshman reporters, Patricia Tobacco and Dianne Flouton; sophomore, Frances Kostek and Marilyn Wilkes; junior, Carol Ziezulewicz; senior, Phyllis Baceski; general reporter, Mary Ziezulewicz; agriculture, Joseph Cybulski. Ethel Duga and Betty Kubosiak supplied the paper with interesting gossip and features. All these members collected much information that made the school paper a widely-read issue. The production staff was made up of Jane and Joan Romanowski and Lorraine Woloss. Mrs. Pruzynski and Miss Ryan, the two advisors, devoted their untiring effort and time to make the paper a great success. Without all these members' efforts and co-operation, a school paper would have been impossible.

Every member of the staff did a splendid job. As a result of the staff's hard work, the school paper came out on time every other month. Many students of the school who were not on the staff, but who gave their time and effort to the school paper, also deserve our thanks and appreciation.



Thespians

In September, the S. A. Thespians met and elected the following: Jane Romanowski, president; Stephanie Majeski, vice-president; Lorraine Woloss, secretary-treasurer; and Ronald Barrett, stage manager.

On the night of November 5, 1954, a large crowd of parents, friends, and relatives attended a three-act comedy dramatized by Esther E. Olson, when the Thespians presented SEVENTEEN IS TERRIFIC.

The scene took place in the living room of the Allenby home, in the spring. Ronald Barrett gave a realistic portrayal of seventeen-year-old Chuck, who struggled against all sorts of obstacles to get five dollars to take his girl to the spring dance. Lorraine Woloss, as Chuck's girl, Ginny, gave a good interpretation of a determined teen-ager with a big problem. As Dr. Allenby, Chuck's father, who was worried about his aching feet, his business, and his family, Charles Sadoski gave a performance in which irascibility and worry were well projected. Frances Porada made a fine Grandma, flurried and concerned over the troubles of the family, and trying to keep everyone happy. Stephanie Majeski, as Chuck's sister Barbie, gave a versatile portrayal of the nonchalance and emotion typical of young adolescents, and as her pal and accomplice, Jean Klocko made a charming Nancy, always hopeful of getting to the dance. Robert Laprise, as a sleuthing little brother, Billie, gave a zestful performance that brought laughs and built up suspense; Phyllis Baceski was enthusiastic as Billie's partner, Patsy, eager to find buried treasure. Joseph Baceski, as George Bennet, gave a comic interpretation in the role of Chuck's loyal chum and Barbie's tongue-tied admirer; and Ethel Duga also provided comedy relief at critical moments with her performance as Jane, crazy about cheerleading and always practicing. The part of Hugo Jarvis was well played by Billie Backiel, portraying the sophisticated young man about town, the idol of all the girls. A surprise feature was the dual performance of the Romanowski twins, Jane and Joan, in the role of Hannah, the maid.

Under the direction of Miss Boyle, music supervisor, the Choral Group presented selections between the acts. Miss Ryan, faculty coach, who directed the play, was presented flowers and a gift, and Miss Boyle was presented flowers.

It was a successful play because of the co-operation and helpfulness of the various committees.



Prize Speaking Contest

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| 4th | 1. I Was, Briefly, the Colonel's Orderly | <i>H. Bruce Price</i> |
| | Edward Pelis | |
| 4th | 2. The Magic Night | <i>Howland</i> |
| | Joanne Sikorski | |
| 1st | 3. Turn About | <i>Roman Turski</i> |
| | Robert Betsold | |
| 2nd | 4. The Inmate in the Dungeon | <i>W. C. Morrow</i> |
| | Carol Ziezulewicz | |
| 4th | 5. How to Avoid Colds | <i>Robert Benchley</i> |
| | Francis Widelo | |
| 1st | 6. Mrs. Smart Learns How to Skate | <i>Clara Augusta</i> |
| | Dorothy Cechvala | |
| 3rd | 7. The Test | <i>Adapted: Reader's Digest</i> |
| | John Stenglein | |
| 3rd | 8. The Tooth, The Whole Tooth | <i>Robert Benchley</i> |
| | Elizabeth Kubosiak | |
| 2nd | 9. A Strange Tale | <i>A. M.</i> |
| | Lawrence Goller | |
| 4th | 10. The Littlest Angel | <i>Charles Tazewell</i> |
| | Carol Fill | |

Music after the speaking was presented by the Smith Academy Choral Club under the supervision of Maude E. Boyle.

Judges were Mrs. Constance Willhite, Chairman, Mrs. Dorothy Breor, and Mrs. Frances Watters.



Glee Club

The first meeting of the Glee Club was in September. The following officers were elected: president, Stephanie Majeski; vice-president, Joan Romanowski; secretary, Jean Klocko; treasurer, Leona Brown.

The Glee Club, under the direction of Miss Maude E. Boyle, participated in many school activities, which included prize speaking, senior play, and graduation.



Freshman Chorus

This year a new musical group was formed in Smith Academy, a Freshman Chorus. They elected the following officers: president, Robert Laprise; vice-president, Ronald Punska; secretary, Nancy Brown.

The Freshman Chorus participated in many school activities, oftentimes putting on their own program.



F. F. A.

OFFICERS 1954-1955

President—Walter Thayer
Vice President—Pat Zgrodnik
Secretary—Wally Gallant

Treasurer—Glen Mathieu
Reporter—Joe Cybulski
Sentinel—Laurence Pickett

LEADERSHIP

Neppco Egg Grading Contest—Eastern States Exposition

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| S. A. Team | Teams Entered | We Placed |
| Joe Cybulski | 19 | 4 |

Governors' Night

Participation in F. F. A. Demonstration for New England Governors

Those represented: Laurence Pickett, Walter Thayer, Joe Cybulski, Glen Mathieu.

Eastern States Exposition—Potato Exhibit

Edward Pelis—2nd place Glen Mathieu—3rd place

F. F. A. Leadership Training School

Members participating: Joe Cybulski, Laurence Pickett, Wally Gallant, Gerald Barsh, Pat Zgrodnik. Parliamentary Procedure demonstration was won by Pat Zgrodnik. Wally Gallant led a 40-minute discussion on improving community relations.

Poultry Judging Team

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| S. A. Team | Teams Entered | We Placed |
| Joe Cybulski | 23 | 16 |

Dairy Cattle Judging Contest

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| S. A. Team | Teams Entered | We Placed |
| Walter Thayer | 23 | 20 |
| Laurence Pickett and Wally Gallant | | |

Farm Mechanics Contest

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| S. A. Team | Teams Entered | We Placed |
| Joe Cybulski | 13 | 8 |
| Gerald Barsh and Pat Zgrodnik | | |

F. F. A. State Convention

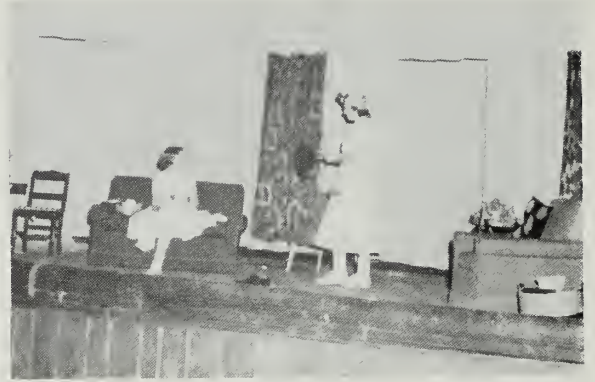
Official Delegate — Walter Thayer

Members attending: Ronald Keith, Robert Barrett, Eugene Dugal, Joe Cybulski, and Richard Capen.

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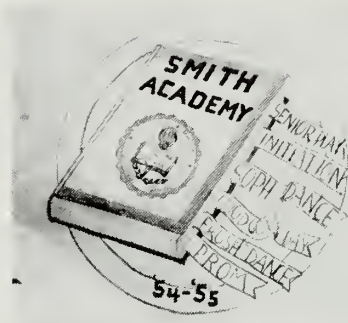
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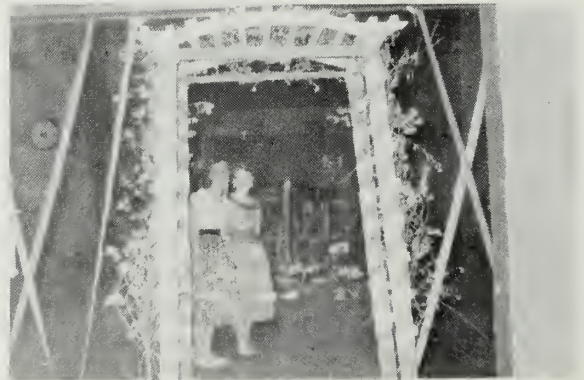
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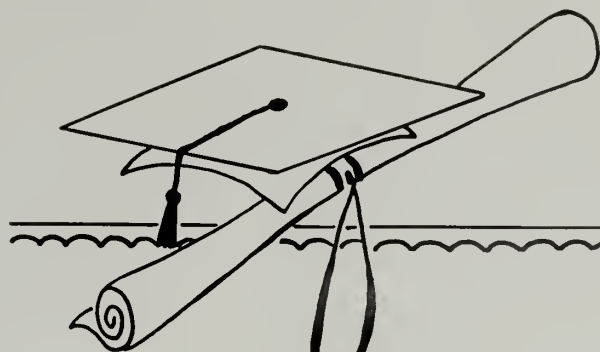
JUNIOR PROM '54



GOOD GOV. DAY



FRESHMAN DANCE



SPORTS





Soccer

Although the soccer season was not very successful, the players deserve credit for trying. The record was one tie and seven losses. Many of the losses were close contests. Ronald Barrett and Jerry Barsh were co-captains. Richard Cechvala did an outstanding job at his backfield position and led the team in scoring. Next year Coach Symancyk will have most of his team back. He will lose through graduation four players—Jerry Barsh, Ronnie Barrett, Dick Cechvala, and Pat Zgrodnik. The graduating players wish Coach Symancyk the best of luck next year.

PLAYERS

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| Ronald Barrett | Richard Byrne |
| Gerald Barsh | Joe Bye |
| Richard Cechvala | Ronald Piekunka |
| Pat Zgrodnik | Billy Backiel |
| Robert Siemionko | Ed Pelis |
| Stanley Slys | Ronald Punska |
| Robert Barrett | Dick Capen |
| Donald Moskowicz, Manager | |



Basketball

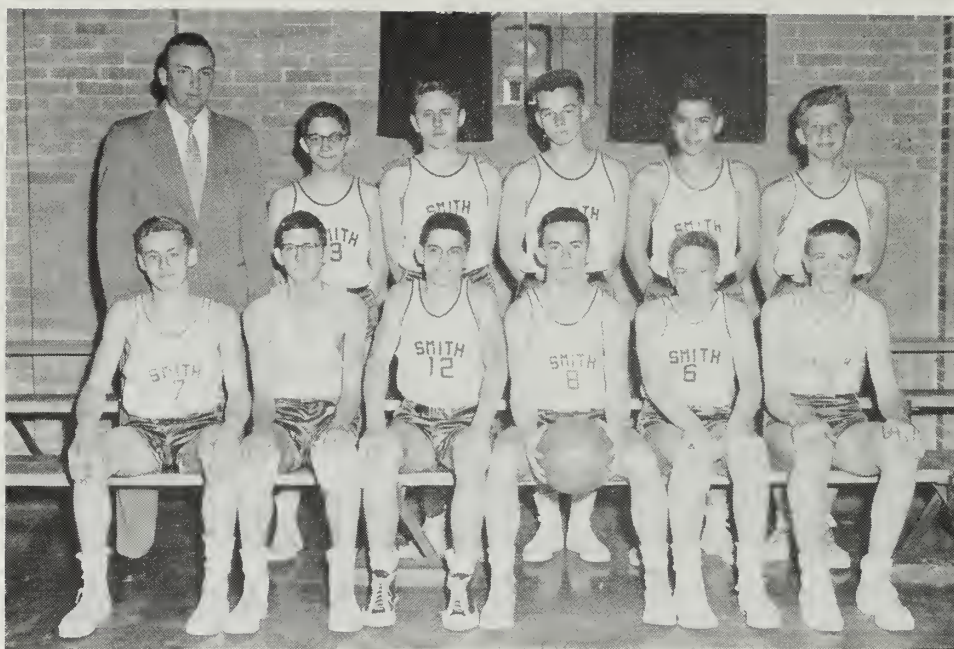
Under the guidance of Coach John Skarzynski the Smith Academy basketball team enjoyed a successful season. They completed the season with an over-all record of 15 wins and 8 losses. In the Hampshire League they ended with a record of 9 wins, 5 losses, and tied for third place. Capt. Mike Raffa, Ronald Keith and Robert Siemionko led the scorers, while Ronald Barrett and Larry Goller played very fine basketball. Next year the team faces the loss of two of their starters, Ronald Barrett and Mike Raffa, but have many fine prospects in view.

The Smith Academy team played in the supplementary tourney at the U. of M. They defeated Belchertown and St. Joseph's, but lost to Monson in the finals.

PLAYERS

Captain Mike Raffa
 Ronnie Keith
 Ronnie Barrett
 Larry Goller
 Robert Siemionko

Don Moskowicz
 Charles Sadoski
 Pat Zgrodnik
 Francis Widelo
 Richard Capen



J-V Basketball

This year's Junior Varsity basketball team, coached by John Skarzynski, had a fairly successful season. The J. V.'s drew much praise and recognition. The starters on this year's J. V. team were: Pat Zgrodnik, Charles Sadoski, Francis Widelo, Donald Moskowitz, and Dick Capen. Bobby Barrett was captain of this year's J. V. team. The starting J. V. five was also the varsity five. Many of the players of this year's J. V. team will be varsity players next year.

PLAYERS

Pat Zgrodnik
Charles Sadoski
Francis Widelo
Joe Baceski
Stanley Slys
Walter Thayer

Donald Moskowitz
Dick Capen
Bobby Barrett
Joe Bye
Ronald Punska
Bobby Betsold



Varsity Cheerleaders

This year Smith Academy chose all new cheerleaders. Two veterans, Jean Klocko, a senior, and Betty Kubosiak, a junior, made the grade along with three J. V. veterans, Leona Brown, senior, Mary and Carol Ziezulewicz, juniors, and Phyllis Cybulski, a senior. The girls' outfits were white corduroy, one-piece suits, with a purple V insert and purple cuffs with white buttons to set off the purple, and a purple letter on the skirt. The girls were very peppy and did their very best to lead the boys to victory.



J-V Cheerleaders

New J. V. cheerleaders were also chosen. They included Dorothy Cechvala, a junior, and two sophomores, Vivian Bucala and Mitchie Stefancyck. They wore one-piece purple corduroy suits, trimmed with white around the Peter Pan collar, and white bows down the front. These girls, being new, had no experiences, but had peppy routines. They really helped the J. V.'s win their games.



Girls' Basketball

Under the wonderful guidance of Coach Florence Muller, the Hatfield lassies were very proud to report a very successful season. At the beginning of the season it was decided that all girls would be given a chance to act as co-captains and try to lead their teammates on to victory. The over-all record was 5 wins and 4 losses. Their fine spirit of determination and fine ability to handle the basketball accounted for the skillful methods used in squeezing out of tight spots.

The starting six of the Varsity team are leaving through graduation but the faithful efforts of the up-and-coming jayvee team will surely give the afternoon spectators quite a thrill. They came through with 4 losses but these few games showed their developing talents as they were all close.

The Varsity schedule included:

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| Jan. 14 | S. A. | 25 | Amherst | 28 |
| Feb. 1 | S. A. | 11 | Amherst | 30 |
| Feb. 4 | S. A. | 21 | Easthampton | 22 |
| Feb. 8 | S. A. | 36 | Hopkins | 10 |
| Feb. 11 | S. A. | 39 | Hopkins | 20 |
| Feb. 15 | S. A. | 53 | Easthampton | 50 |
| Feb. 17 | S. A. | 41 | Mary Burnham | 43 |
| Feb. 18 | S. A. | 28 | Huntington | 17 |
| Mar. 8 | S. A. | 45 | Mary Burnham | 32 |

The team was very capably assisted by the manager and the assistant manager, Lorraine Woloss and Phyllis Baceski.



Baseball

Smith Academy is looking forward to a successful season in the Hampshire League. Returning from last year's squad are five regulars. This year's pitching prospects are excellent, with Bob Siemienko and Ronald Keith listed as hurlers. Gerald Barsh, a senior, who is out for baseball for the first time, will handle the catching chores. In the infield it will be Ronald Barrett at first, Donald Moskowicz at second, Stanley Slys at the third sack, and Ronald Keith and Bob Siemienko alternating at short. The outfield consists of Ed Merriam, Larry Goller, Ronnie Punska, Eugene Dugal, Clarence Klekot, Robert Barrett, and Stanley Szewcyk.

Smith got off to a good start by beating St. Michael's in a non-league game. The score of that opener was 8 to 1 in favor of Smith. Bob Siemienko hurled one-hit ball and Stanley Slys banged out three hits. Hampshire League play begins May 2.

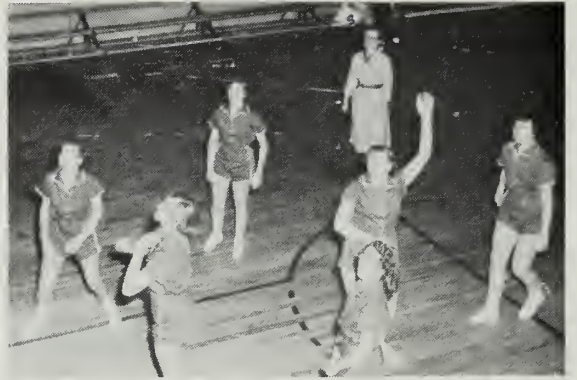
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Sports



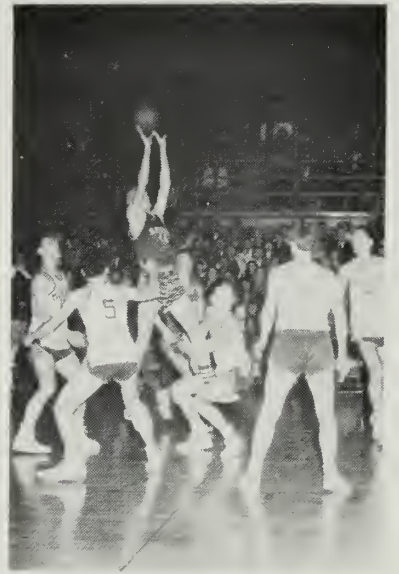
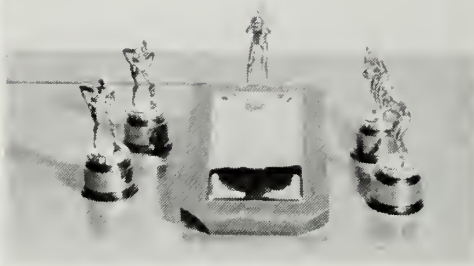
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GIRLS' BASKETBALL



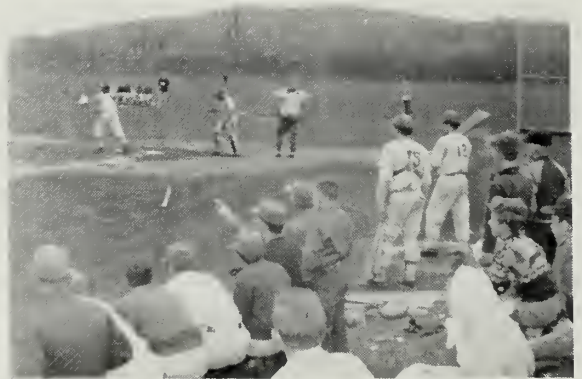
BASKETBALL



TOURNEY



SOCCER



BASEBALL

Washington Trip

MONDAY, APRIL 18. It was a cold morning when 12 Smith Academy seniors, accompanied by Coach John Skarzynski, boarded the 6:53 train to begin an eventful week. Arriving in New York at approximately 11:30, we walked a short distance to 42nd Street, where a motor coach took us to Jersey City. We crossed the Hudson River by ferry, but the view of the New York Harbor traffic, the Statue of Liberty, and other notable sights normally seen were hidden by heavy mist. Leaving Jersey City on the B. & O. train, we had luncheon served in the dining car. Passing through Pennsylvania, Delaware, and Maryland on this comfortable, air-conditioned train, we arrived at Washington Union Station about 5:15. A motor coach took our party to the Old Colonial Hotel, where rooms were furnished—four to a room.

TUESDAY, APRIL 19. At 6:00, telephones rang to awaken the tired travelers, and those who heard them went down to the dining room to eat their scrambled eggs. Following breakfast, a motor coach took us to the Bureau of Printing and Engraving, where any one of us could not have wished to see more of the color green—and what a pretty green it was, even for those of us who are not Irish. Following this, we visited the Pan-American Building and the White House. Some of us, then, saw exactly 1796 stairs, (we walked up and down, mind you!) in the Washington Monument. It took exactly twenty minutes to ascend these stairs and approximately ten minutes to descend. (The elevator beat us—made it one way in ninety seconds.) Following luncheon we toured residential Washington, where our guide pointed out several famous homes. Crossing the Potomac River, we visited the Arlington Cemetery and watched the impressive scene of changing guards at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Also seen on this afternoon was the newly constructed statue commemorating the Battle of Iwo Jima. After a tour of Mount Vernon—the famous home of George and Martha Washington—we returned to our hotel for dinner. An evening trip to the Congressional Library and the Lincoln Memorial preceded a most enjoyable trip to the Washington Airport. The night was sleepless for some boys, who, it seems, were bothered by the incessant dripping of a faucet in their bath.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20—After breakfast, a motor coach took us to the Smithsonian Institute, where we saw many unusual displays too numerous to mention. The things that interested us most were the display of the inaugural gowns of all the Presidents' wives, and the first railroad locomotive. Our next stop was the Archives Building, which holds the original copies of the Bill of Rights, United States Constitution, Declaration of Independence, and the Japanese surrender documents. Following luncheon, a guided tour brought us to the Supreme Court, which was in session. Next on our itinerary was a visit to the United States Capitol Building, where the Senate and the House were in session when we arrived. Our motor coach then took us to the boat pier of the Old Bay Line, where we boarded the District of Columbia for an all-night sail to Virginia. Staterooms were assigned—two persons to a room. While we sailed down the Potomac River and the Chesapeake Bay, there was much

recreation going on inside, especially with the girls—Right, Girls??? Water Pistols just don't last long!!! At 11:00 o'clock we all went to our staterooms to write post-cards or just relax, for we were pretty tired! We just couldn't find time to sleep, so when we had time we took advantage of it.

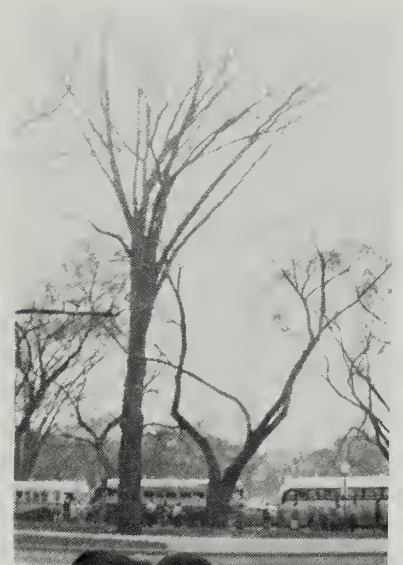
THURSDAY, APRIL 21—At 6:30, a half hour before docking, "we all" were awakened to eat a most delicious breakfast served on the boat. "Yo' all" who enjoy history would enjoy the trip to Virginia. "We all" spent the morning motoring through Yorktown and Jamestown. It was on the way to Jamestown that we stopped to see a mariners' museum and it was at Jamestown that we saw the statue of "Po-key-hunt-us" (Pocahontas). An enjoyable luncheon was served at the Williamsburg Lodge. At Williamsburg, in the afternoon, we visited many reconstructed and restored buildings which are now in the same condition as in the Revolutionary days. Some of the buildings included the Palace of the English Governors, the Brutton Parish Church—the oldest Episcopal church in the country, William and Mary College, the Capitol where Patrick Henry made his famous speeches, and the Gaol where Blackbeard's pirates were imprisoned. At the end of the day, the motor coach brought "us all" back to Norfolk, where "we all" boarded the boat to return to Washington and our own accent, as far as speech is concerned. A delicious meal was served en route.

FRIDAY, APRIL 22. Arriving in Washington, we ate breakfast on board, and then were brought to Union Station to depart for New York. At 9:15 a.m., we left Washington on the B. & O. Luncheon was served in the dining car. Arriving in New York at 1:20, we were transferred by motor coach to the United Nations Building, where a guide showed us the important things. At 4:00 p.m., we were taken to the fabulous Taft Hotel, where we were free until 5:45. At that time our group met in the lobby to go to the Down Under Restaurant. After dinner we went to Radio City Music Hall, where we saw "The Glass Slipper" and "The Easter Stage Show" featuring the Rockettes. After that our party separated in different directions. Some went to Times Square while others went up 70 floors to the R.C.A. Lookout Tower. This was the night that a girl got locked out of her room!! Poor Kid!

SATURDAY, APRIL 23. Saturday morning was left open so that we could do our shopping. However, the week was so eventful that thirteen of the thirteen travelers from S. A. forgot to awake and we actually had little time to purchase our souvenirs. Luncheon was served at the Down Under Restaurant. Following luncheon, we returned to our hotels to get our luggage and head homeward. Saturday afternoon found us in a guide-conducted tour of Downtown New York. We passed through Wall Street, the Bowery, Chinatown, Fulton's Fish Market, and the East Side. Our tour ended at Grand Central Station, where we boarded the 5:05 p.m. train and had to bid good-bye to New York—it seemed all too short. Arriving at Northampton at 9:05 p.m., we had completed the most memorable of all senior activities.

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